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PATENT

**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**(ORIGINAL, DESIGN, NATIONAL STAGE OF PCT, SUPPLEMENTAL, DIVISIONAL,  
CONTINUATION OR C-I-P)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

**TYPE OF DECLARATION**

This declaration is of the following type: (check one applicable item below)

- ☒ original  
☐ design  
☐ supplemental

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- ☒ national stage of PCT

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- ☐ divisional  
☐ continuation  
☐ continuation-in-part (C-I-P)

**INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION**

**WARNING:** If the inventors are each not the inventors of all the claims, an explanation of the facts, including the ownership of all the claims at the time the last claimed invention was made, should be submitted.

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name. I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**TITLE OF INVENTION**CURATIVES FOR EPOXY RESIN, CURING ACCELERATOR, AND EXPOY RESIN COMPOSITION**SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION**

the specification of which: (complete (a), (b) or (c))

- (a) ☒ is attached hereto.  
(b) ☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as ☐ Serial No. 0 / \_\_\_\_\_  
or ☐ Express Mail No., as Serial No. not yet known \_\_\_\_\_  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

NOTE: Amendments filed after the original papers are deposited with the PTO which contain new matter are not accorded a filing date by being referred to in the declaration. Accordingly, the amendments involved are those filed with the application papers or, in the case of a supplemental declaration, are those amendments claiming matter not encompassed in the original statement of invention or claims. See 37 CFR 1.67.

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- (c) ☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_ and as amended under PCT Article 19 on \_\_\_\_\_ (if any).

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF ANDOR**

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information

- ☐ which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56

*(also check the following items, if desired)*

- ☒ and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, and
- ☐ In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98.

**PRIORITY CLAIM (35 U.S.C. § 119)**

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

*(complete (d) or (e))*

- (d) ☐ no such applications have been filed.
- (e) ☒ such applications have been filed as follows.

NOTE: Where item (c) is entered above and the International Application which designated the U.S. itself claimed priority check item (e), enter the details below and make the priority claim.

**A. PRIOR FOREIGN/PCT APPLICATION(S) FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS  
(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS APPLICATION  
AND ANY PRIORITY CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119**

COUNTRY (OR INDICATE IF PCT)	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 37 USC 119
Japan	358518/1996	27 12 96	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Japan	22040/1997	21 01 97	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Japan	123964/1997	14 05 97	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Japan	177468/1997	02 07 97	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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**ALL FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED MORE THAN 12 MONTHS  
(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS U.S. APPLICATION**

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NOTE: If the application filed more than 12 months from the filing date of this application is a PCT filing forming the basis for this application entering the United States as (1) the national stage, or (2) a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part, then also complete ADDED PAGES TO COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR DIVISIONAL, CONTINUATION OR C-I-P APPLICATION for benefit of the prior U.S. or PCT application(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. (List name and registration number)

Joseph C. Mason, Jr.  
#20,153

Dennis G. LaPointe  
#40,693

Joseph R. Englander  
#38,871

(check the following item, if applicable)

- ☐ Attached as part of this declaration and power of attorney is the authorization of the above-named attorney(s) to accept and follow instructions from my representative(s).

(Declaration and Power of Attorney [1-1]—page 3 of 5)

SEND CORRESPONDENCE TO  
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### DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

### SIGNATURE(S)

NOTE: Carefully indicate the family (or last) name as it should appear on the filing receipt and all other documents.

Full name of sole or first inventor

Hiroshi

(GIVEN NAME)

(MIDDLE INITIAL OR NAME)

SUZUKI

FAMILY (OR LAST NAME)

Inventor's signature Hiroshi Suzuki

Date June 9, 1999

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Satoru

(GIVEN NAME)

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Inventor's signature Satoru ABE

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Full name of third joint inventor, if any

Izuo  
(GIVEN NAME)

(MIDDLE INITIAL OR NAME)

AOKI  
FAMILY (OR LAST NAME)

Inventor's signature

MIDORI AOKI

Izuo AOKI deceased on January 7, 1999 By Mrs. Midori AOKI Widow and

Date June 9, 1999

Country of Citizenship

Legal  
Representative

Residence

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CHECK PROPER BOX(ES) FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ADDED PAGE(S) WHICH  
FORM A PART OF THIS DECLARATION

☐ Signature for fourth and subsequent joint inventors. Number of pages added

☒ Signature by administrator(trix), executor(trix) or legal representative for deceased or incapacitated inventor. Number of pages added 1

☐ Signature for inventor who refuses to sign or cannot be reached by person authorized under 37 CFR 1.47. Number of pages added

☐ Added page for signature by one joint inventor on behalf of deceased inventor(s) where legal representative cannot be appointed in time (37 CFR 1.47).

☐ Added pages to combined declaration and power of attorney for divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part (C-I-P) application.

☐ Number of pages added

☐ Authorization of attorney(s) to accept and follow instructions from representative.

(If no further pages form a part of this Declaration, then end this Declaration with this page and check the following item:)

☐ This declaration ends with this page.

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**ADDED PAGE TO COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR SIGNING BY ADMINISTRATOR(TRIX), EXECUTOR(TRIX) OR LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE ON BEHALF OF DECEASED OR INCAPACITATED INVENTOR (37 CFR 1.42 AND 1.43)**

I, Midori AOKI  
(type or print name(s) of administrator(trix), executor(trix), legal representative or all heirs)  
hereby declare that I am a citizen of JAPAN  
residing at 1348-4 Goi Ichihara-shi Chiba 290-0056 JAPAN

and that I am executing and signing the declaration to which this is attached as

(check one):

- ☐ the administrator(trix) of  
☐ executor(trix) of the last will and testament of  
☒ legal representative (or heirs) of

Izuo AOKI

Full name of (first, second etc.) deceased or incapacitated inventor  
JAPAN

Country of citizenship of deceased or incapacitated inventor  
1348-4 Goi Ichihara-shi Chiba 290-0056 JAPAN  
Residence of deceased or incapacitated inventor

Post Office Address of deceased or incapacitated inventor  
Same as above

NOTE: The name of the first, second etc. deceased or incapacitated inventor should preferably also be filled in at the appropriate prior space of the declaration adding the words "deceased-completed on added page" or "incapacitated-completed on added page."

That, upon information and belief, I aver those facts that the inventor is required to state.

Date: June, 9, 1999

MIDORI AOKI

Signature of administrator(trix), executor(trix)  
legal representative (or all heirs)

NOTE: Proof of authority of the administrator(trix), executor(trix) or legal representative must be recorded in the PTO or filed in the application before the grant of the patent. 37 CFR 1.44.

NOTE: Application may be made by the heirs of the inventor if a certificate of the court will establish that they are all the heirs and the estate was not required to appoint an administrator. If the heirs are signing add lines for all the heirs to sign. MPEP § 409.01(a), 6th ed., rev. 3.

(Added Page to Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for Signing by Administrator(trix), Executor(trix) or Legal Representative on Behalf of Deceased or Incapacitated Inventor (37 CFR 1.42 and 1.43) [1-3])

PATENTS

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE


Applicant: Hiroshi Suzuki, et al. )  
S.N.: 09/331,829 )  
Filed: June 23, 1999 ) Examiner: Unknown  
For: CURATIVES FOR EPOXY RESIN, ) Art Unit: Unknown  
CURING ACCELERATOR, AND )  
EPOXY RESIN COMPOSITION )

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CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAIL UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.10

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Diane Miller, Legal Assistant

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Washington, DC 20231

SUPPLEMENTAL SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.44

Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicants herein submit under 37 C.F.R. § 1.44 the Certification of the family-registry of inventor Mr. Izuo AOKI, deceased on January 7, 1999. The Certification registers the death of Mr. Izuo AOKI.

Under Japanese Civil Law, Article 887 and 890, Mrs. Midori AOKI, decedent's wife, and their minor child Keisuke AOKI, are

coheirs. Under Japanese Civil Law, Article 824, Mrs. Midori AOKI also represents the minor child, Keisuke AOKI.

Applicants therefore, through their undersigned counsel, declare that Mrs. Midori AOKI has legal power to execute the Assignment and Declaration for and on behalf of the minor child, Keisuke AOKI.

Very respectfully,



Dennis G. LaPointe  
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Dated: 7/20/99

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全部事項証明

本 氏 籍 名	静岡県三島市853番地3 青木 伊豆男
戸籍事項 戸籍改製	【改製日】平成8年11月2日 【改製事由】平成6年法務省令第51号附則第2条第1項による改製
戸籍に記録されている者  除 籍	【名】 伊豆男 【生年月日】昭和37年3月6日 【父】 青木周一 【母】 青木ひさ 【続柄】 二男
身分事項 出 生	【出生日】昭和37年3月6日 【出生地】静岡県三島市 【届出日】昭和37年3月14日 【届出人】 父
婚 姻	【婚姻日】平成3年1月27日 【配偶者氏名】 岩澤みどり 【従前戸籍】 静岡県三島市853番地3 青木周一
死 亡	【死亡日】平成11年1月7日 【死亡時分】 午後1時32分 【死亡地】 千葉県市原市 【届出日】平成11年1月9日 【届出人】 親族 青木みどり 【送付を受けた日】平成11年1月18日 【受理者】 千葉県市原市長
戸籍に記録されている者	【名】 みどり 【生年月日】昭和41年4月9日 【父】 岩澤盛男 【母】 岩澤富子 【続柄】 三女
身分事項 出 生	【出生日】昭和41年4月9日 【出生地】 千葉県千葉市 【届出日】昭和41年4月11日 【届出人】 父 【送付を受けた日】昭和41年4月20日 【受理者】 千葉県千葉市長

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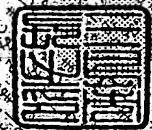
婚 姻	【婚姻日】平成3年1月27日 【配偶者氏名】青木伊豆男 【従前戸籍】千葉県市原市五井1348番地4 岩澤盛男
配偶者の死亡	【配偶者の死亡日】平成11年1月7日
戸籍に記録されている者	【名】佳祐 【生年月日】平成4年5月15日 【父】青木伊豆男 【母】青木みどり 【続柄】長男
身分事項 出 生	【出生日】平成4年5月15日 【出生地】千葉県市原市 【届出日】平成4年5月22日 【届出人】父 【送付を受けた日】平成4年5月28日 【受理者】千葉県市原市長
	以下余白

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平成11年6月16日

静岡県三島市長 小池 政臣



The whole articles certification	
Permanent address Name	853-3, Mishima-shi, Shizuoka-ken AOKI Izuo
Articles of a family-register This family-register was amended.	Date of amendment: November 2, 1996. Reason of the amendment: It was amended by art. 2, para. 1 of supplementary provisions of 51 <sup>st</sup> of a Ministerial Ordinance of the Ministry of Justice in 1994.
A person registered in this family register. Removal from this family register.	Name: Izuo Date of birth: March 6, 1962 Father: AOKI Shuichi Mother: AOKI Hisa Personal relationship: the second son
Status articles Birth	Date of birth: March 6, 1962 Place of birth: Mishima-shi, Shizuoka-ken Date of reporting of birth: March 14, 1962 Person of reporting of birth: father
Marriage	Date of marriage: January 27, 1991 Name of his spouse: IWASAWA Midori Family-register before marriage: 853-3, Mishima-shi, Shizuoka-ken AOKI Shuichi
Death	Date of death: January 7, 1999 Time of death: at 1: 32 p.m. Place of death: Ichihara-shi, Chiba-ken Date of reporting of death: January 9, 1999 Person of reporting of death: relative AOKI Midori Date of reporting: January 18, 1999 Person of acceptance: the mayor of Ichihara-shi, Chiba-ken
A person registered in this family-register.	Name: Midori Date of birth: April 9, 1966 Father: IWASAWA Morio Mother: IWASAWA Tomiko Personal relationship: the third daughter
Status articles Birth	Date of birth: April 9, 1966 Place of birth: Chiba-shi, Chiba-ken Date of reporting of birth: April 11, 1966 Person of reporting of birth: father Date of reporting: April 20, 1966 Person of acceptance: the mayor of Chiba-shi, Chiba-ken
Marriage	Date of marriage: January 27, 1991 Name of her spouse: AOKI Izuo Family-register before marriage: 1348-4, Goi, Ichihara-shi, Chiba-ken IWASAWA Morio
Death of her spouse	Date of the death of her spouse: January 7, 1999
A person registered in this family-register	Name: Keisuke Date of birth: May 15, 1992 Father: AOKI Izuo Mother: AOKI Midori Personal relationship: the first son
Status articles Birth	Date of birth: May 15, 1992 Place of birth: Ichihara-shi, Chiba-ken Date of reporting of birth: May 22, 1992 Person of reporting of birth: father Date of reporting: May 28, 1992 Person of acceptance: the mayor of Ichihara-shi, Chiba-ken
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This is a document that certifies the whole article recorded in this family-register.

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The Mayor of Mishima-shi, Shizuoka-ken: KOIKE Masaomi Seal

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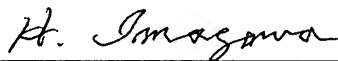


D E C L A R A T I O N

I, Hiroyuki IMAGAWA residing at No.1-67-11-722, Higiriyama, Konan-ku, Yokohama-shi, Kanagawa-ken, JAPAN, do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare:

1. That I am acquainted with the Japanese and the English languages, and
2. That the attached is a true translation into the English language of the official certification of the family-register of Mr. AOKI Izuo.

AND I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and correct.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Hiroyuki IMAGAWA  
July 13, 1999

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ASSIGNOR:

SUZUKI, HIROSHI

DOC DATE: 06/09/1999

ASSIGNOR:

AOKI, IZUO (DECEASED)

DOC DATE: 06/09/1999

ASSIGNOR:

ABE, SATORU

DOC DATE: 06/09/1999

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COVER SHEET FOR ASSI 101107383 ANYING  
NEW PATENT APPLICATION (37 C.F.R. § 3.31)

**IDENTIFICATION OF APPLICATION**  
(37 C.F.R. § 3.21 and 37 C.F.R. § 3.31(a)(4))

1. The ☒ patent application ☐ provisional patent application filed herewith and, to which the attached assignment (document) refers, is identified as follows:

- a. Type of application
- ☒ Application of patent (37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b))
  - ☐ Continued prosecution (nonprovisional) applica-  
tion (37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d))
  - ☐ Provisional application (37 C.F.R. § 1.53(c))
  - ☐ International application (37 C.F.R. § 1.431)

b. Date of execution: June 9, 1999

NOTE: Leave this blank if assignment is for a provisional application.

- c. Name of each inventor:
- 1: Hiroshi Suzuki
  - 2: Izuo Aoki (deceased)
  - 3: Satoru Abe

d. Title of invention: CURATIVES FOR EPOXY RESIN, CURING ACCELERATOR,

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10\* AND EPOXY RESIN**  
(Express Mail label number is mandatory.) COMPOSITION  
(Express Mail certification is optional.)

I hereby certify that this "Cover Sheet For Assignment (Document) Accompanying New Patent Application," along with any document referred to, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date June 23, 1999, in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee," Mailing Label Number EL314972738US, addressed to the: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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**NAME OF PARTY(IES) CONVEYING INTEREST (37 C.F.R. § 3.31(a)(1))**

2. The party(ies) conveying this interest is (are):

Name 1: Hiroshi SUZUKI  
Name 2: Izuo AOKI (deceased)  
Name 3: Satoru ABE

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF PARTY(IES) RECEIVING INTEREST  
(37 C.F.R. § 3.31(a)(2))**

3. The rights are being conveyed to:  
Name: Nippon Soda Co., Ltd.  
Address: No. 2-1, Ohtemachi  
2-chome, Chiyoda-Ku  
Tokyo 100-8165, Japan  
Telephone No.: (     )

**DESCRIPTION OF INTEREST CONVEYED OR  
TRANSACTION RECORDED (37 C.F.R. § 3.31(a)(3))**

4. The accompanying document intends to accomplish:

☒ an assignment.  
☐ a security agreement.  
☐ a license.  
☐ a merger.  
☐ a change of name.  
☐ a change of address.  
☐ other.

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF PARTY TO WHOM CORRESPONDENCE  
SHOULD BE MAILED (37 C.F.R. § 3.31(a)(5))**

5. Please address correspondence to:  
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In consideration of value received, I/We Hiroshi SUZUKI

and Satoru ABE, and Izuo AOKI, deceased, by his legal representative,  
Midori AOKI  
sell and assign to NIPPON SODA CO., LTD.

a corporation of Japan having a place of business at No.2-1  
2-chome Ohtemachi Chiyoda-ku Tokyo JAPAN

hereinafter referred to as "Assignee", the entire right,  
title and interest in and to an invention entitled:

invented by me/us as described in the following application/s  
filed in Japan:

1. Japanese Patent Application NO.358518/1996 filed on December 27, 1996
2. Japanese Patent Application No.22040/1997 filed on January 21, 1997
3. Japanese Patent Application No.123964/1997 filed on May 14, 1997
4. Japanese Patent Application No.177468/1997 filed on July 2, 1997

and in and to all applications for patent for said invention in all countries, including an application for United States patent, executed concurrently herewith, and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions of any of said applications, and all rights of priority resulting from the filing of any of said applications; and I/We authorize and request any official whose duty is to issue patents, to issue any patent on said invention or resulting therefrom to said Assignee, and I/We agree to sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing or other applications, make all rightful oaths and declarations, and generally do everything possible to aid said Assignee to obtain and enforce a proper patent protection for said invention in all countries.

Subscribed and executed at the aforesaid place of business of the corporation,

this 9th day of June, 1999.

*Hiroshi Suzuki*

Hiroshi SUZUKI

*Satoru Abe*

Satoru ABE

*Midori Aoki*

MIDORI AOKI

Izuo AOKI, deceased on January 7, 1999

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1. The ☒ patent application ☐ provisional patent application filed herewith and, to which the attached assignment (document) refers, is identified as follows:

a. Type of application

- ☒ Application of patent (37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b))  
☐ Continued prosecution (nonprovisional) application (37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d))  
☐ Provisional application (37 C.F.R. § 1.53(c))  
☐ International application (37 C.F.R. § 1.431)

b. Date of execution: June 9, 1999

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c. Name of each inventor:

- 1: Hiroshi Suzuki  
2: Izuo Aoki (deceased)  
3: Satoru Abe

d. Title of invention: CURATIVES FOR EPOXY RESIN, CURING ACCELERATOR,

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10\* AND EPOXY RESIN  
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Name 1: Hiroshi SUZUKI  
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**NAME AND ADDRESS OF PARTY(IES) RECEIVING INTEREST**

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